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MAN WAS MADE TO HUSTLE.

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A Bold Robbery.

T. C. Sublett, an old-timer near Brunswick, was the victim of a skin game to the tune of \$282 in one of the side shows at the Norris & Rowe circus in Brunswick Saturday afternoon.

While standing on the show grounds Mr. Sublett, who is 72 years old, was engaged in conversation by a man who represented himself to be circuit clerk of Howard county, said he was a candidate for re-election and gave his name as J. T. or T. J. Parker.

Another man came out of the side show and gave Mr. Sublett and Mr. "Parker" a couple of tickets and invited them in to see the attractions, only asking them in return to tell the people that they were a good thing.

After the two gentlemen named got inside the tent the showman, who had approached them on the outside and gave them tickets, told Mr. Sublett and Mr. "Parker" that he had something to show them and took them into a sort of an office where he had a lot of electric belts. He explained the merits(?) of the belts and Mr. Sublett and his newly found Howard county friend both concluded they wanted a belt. The belt man next informed them that the company which manufactured the belts had instructed him to appoint agents, and that where an agent could show that he was responsible for \$250 the company had told him to advance \$250 as expense money.

This looked good to Mr. Sublett and especially when "Parker" also expressed a desire to

gent." Thereupon Mr. Sublett put up \$32 and "Parker" \$20 to clinch the bargain. Mr. Sublett offered to get a statement from the bank showing that he was responsible for \$250, but the belt man said that would not do as the cash was required.

"Parker" said that he would get the necessary amount from his father, who was at the Brown hotel in Brunswick, and he and Mr. Sublett went up town, "Parker" waiting at the Brown hotel while Mr. Sublett went to the First National bank and drew \$250 in cash, but was reminded by Cashier B. H. Smith of what happened to another man on a certain circus day.

On the way back to the show grounds "Parker" warned Mr. Sublett not to let the belt man get his hands on the \$250, and this, or something else, aroused Mr. Sublett's suspicion and he concluded he would demand the return of his \$32 and retire from the electric belt business.

Accordingly when he again came face to face with the electric belt man Mr. Sublett expressed a desire for that \$32 back in his jeans, but the belt man demanded and insisted that Mr. Sublett prove he had acted in good faith and was responsible for \$250. Mr. Sublett displayed his roll and the belt man wanted to count it, but Mr. Sublett again objected.

The belt man then suggested that Mr. Sublett let his "friend" count the money and to this Mr.

Sublett assented. The money was counted by "Parker," who left it lying on the table, and Mr. Sublett again demanded the return of his \$32.

Matters were getting desperate and when the belt man again refused to disgorge, Mr. Sublett drew his knife and raised it to attack the belt man when "Parker" caught hold of Mr. Sublett's arm and begged him to desist.

The belt man quickly availed himself of this opportunity and grabbed besides the \$52 he already had, Mr. Sublett's \$250 and "Parker's" \$250, all of the belts and then disappeared.

"Parker" did everything he could to console Mr. Sublett, claiming that he ("Parker") was out \$270, which the belt man had also stolen, and wound up by giving Mr. Sublett his note for \$282 which he agreed to pay at the post-office door in Brunswick Saturday, October 16.

A warrant was issued by Justice G. W. Cunningham of Brunswick at the behest of Mr. Sublett for John Doe, the electric belt man, and the two managers of the circus, Steele and Shannon, but they could not be found Saturday night, and were followed to Fulton, where they were billed to exhibit Monday, October 10, by Mr. Sublett and Deputy Sheriff Chas. Parker.

Upon the advice of Harry Hutson, a Wabash railroad detective of Moberly, Mr. Sublett attached the circus and recovered his \$282.

Mr. Sublett now fully realizes that "Parker" was only an ac-

complice of the electric belt man and that there are tricks in all trades, especially on circus days. The managers of the circus made a strenuous protest against paying Mr. Sublett the \$282, but the fact that they did so looks like they were porticoes criminis.

State-Wide Prohibition Rally.

Judge Wm. H. Wallace of Kansas City announces that he, in company with Judge G. O. Nations of Farmington, Rev. W. B. Palmore, St. Louis, and Rev. Ray Palmer of Jefferson City will address the citizens of Chariton county at Keytesville Wednesday, the 20th of October, at 10 o'clock a. m. This is the first gun of the campaign in Chariton county for state-wide prohibition.

Let everybody attend and hear from these distinguished gentlemen the truth on this great question. Remember the speaking is to begin at 10 a. m. at the courthouse and have an all day's session.

Killed by a Train.

A man supposed to be A. Jackson was killed by east-bound Santa Fe passenger train No. 6, near Whitham, Saturday night, October 9, 1909.

He was beating his way on the train and the first seen of him was his head, shoulders and arm on the middle of the rear truck of the mail car, and he evidently fell from the trucks, resulting in almost instant death, while the train was running at the rate of about 40 miles an hour. Section Foreman Ed Carr of Mendon was notified and went out and gathered up the remains and took them to Mendon where an inquest was held by Dr. Isaiah Knott, coroner, Sunday, October 10.

Four witnesses, John Jones, Robt. E. Knight, Geo. E. Smith and Ed Carr, were examined before the coroner's jury, composed of G. K. Laughlin, Geo. B. Anderson, A. F. Bash, E. M. Shupe, J. W. Nichols and H. Y. Shupe, the latter being foreman. From the testimony adduced the man killed had been drinking and was seen at Mendon, Whitham and Dean Lake the day preceding his death. He was thought to be returning to Mendon when he was killed.

Jackson was about 40 years old and was in the employ of Geo. E. Smith, one of the contractors for grading on the double track of the Santa Fe railroad.

Jackson was at Joyce's camp in Whitham Saturday afternoon and asked the time-keeper for a check for three, presumably meaning \$3.

After hearing the testimony of the witnesses the coroner's jury returned the following verdict:

"That deceased came to his death by being run over by Santa Fe train No. 6 on the A. T. & S. F. railroad. We further believe from the evidence that his name was A. Jackson."

Contractor Smith said that about \$10 or \$15 was due Jackson in wages and that he (Jackson) had a chum by the name of George Dobson and said he (Smith) had been told that Dobson was in Carrollton that day, Sunday, October 10.

Jackson's body was cut into many pieces and his skull was almost crushed to a pulp.

For Sale.

I have 300 bushels of Irish potatoes for sale at market price, four miles southeast of Dalton. J. J. RENAHAN.

A League Chapter House.

Intended for last week.

The women of the Keytesville local chapter of the "American Woman's league" desire to make an earnest appeal to the men of this locality for a plat of ground upon which to place their "Chapter House." In all other towns the men have done as much, and we can not believe that our men are less appreciative of one of the very first distinctive efforts that your women have made to beautify and make attractive our dear home town.

We all wonder and sometimes complain that our young people keep going and finally staying away; we feel disappointed that our good country friends move off somewhere else. Do let us all keep our best with us. Make ourselves more agreeable. It is our only show.

Old towns, like old people, get left out when they are not attractive. Why not then begin in this small thing that can so easily be done? The women have no other purpose in the world but to lay a foundation in this inexpensive way for numerous other helpful activities.

You men know better than we can tell you how much one of these handsome buildings would enhance the value of all surrounding property. We have hoped that some who had adjacent land would lay off an addition to the town and give us a central lot. It surely would do you good in many ways. The league builds the house. The revenue from our subscriptions keeps it in good condition. The lot is all we need to ask of you men. All the women of the town are responding heartily. Not one has sneered at our work. We ask this much encouragement of our men. We are reluctant to do anything without your approbation. We will be delighted to explain our work to any interested and would, in closing, call your attention to the fact that we are local agents for every publication in the United States and get 50 per cent upon all subscriptions. Give us your renewals and new subscriptions. Every cent we make is spent here for Keytesville.

MRS. BOND HUGHES,
President.
MRS. J. C. WALLACE,
Secretary.

An Appreciated Letter.

R. L. Hoxie, one of the COURIER's esteemed subscribers living in Yellow Creek township, writes us the following greatly appreciated letter in renewing his subscription to the COURIER.

"Please find enclosed \$1 which we owe you. Our time will expire next month and we will send you another dollar for another year as we like the COURIER so much and would be lost without it."

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Mrs. Diantha Taylor, R. T. Knox.

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Cupid's Conquests.

VENABLE-RICHESON:—N at J. Venable and Miss Coral A. Richeson, both of Rothville, were married Tuesday, October 5, 1909, Rev. Richard L. Stratton of Rothville sealing the plighted vows.

ANDERSON-ROBINSON:—Theophilus Anderson and Miss Mahaley Robinson, a colored couple of Triplett, were married Thursday, October 7, 1909, Justice T. W. Triplett adjusting the matrimonial yoke.

DRYSDALE-STEVENSON:—E. T. Drysdale of Crawford, Ill., and Miss Bessie Stevenson were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stevenson, six miles north of Keytesville, Tuesday, October 12, 1909, Rev. Frank Mitchell of this city tying the nuptial knot.

GORDON-EADS:—W. H. Gordon and Miss Ada Eads, both of near Marceline, were married at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. U. A. Ransom of Keytesville Thursday morning, October 14, 1909.

Miss Julia Willis Anderson, accompanied by her sister, Miss Carolyn, went to Kansas City Thursday morning where they were met by Messrs. C. E. Veatch and H. P. Mitchell, both formerly of Keytesville and now of Topeka, Kas. Miss Anderson and Mr. Veatch were quietly married by a Christian church minister at the Baltimore hotel, but we have not been informed of the particulars.

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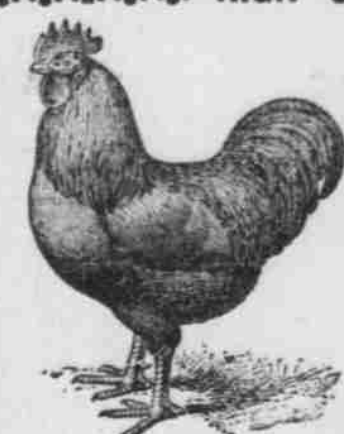
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